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13 February 1968

GENERAL BERG:

It was my understanding that you have asked Col Worthman to look into the matter of Charge 0575 (attached) and that he is preparing a summary for you related thereto.

Col Worthman has been furnished a chronology of events leading up to this message, therefore, I will not rehash them at this time. However, the tone of Col Bumm's message provokes me to explain my position directly to you at this time.

We have a cleared contact in DCAS, a Col Ben MARSHALL, their chief security man. We developed him to help out with security problems, i.e. conflicts related to DCAS security inspections and our industrial carve outs, personnel security matters etc. He wields considerable influence in DCAS, has been most cooperative and we have used him twice within the past month to work out problems in support of Col Bumm. However, like all security men, he has his limitations.

The instant problem relates to overtime and travel authorization for two DCAS personnel working at AIL and traveling to G.E. Corporation. Ben Marshall, like ourselves, was gung ho to work on the problem but he ran into a USN Capt SCARBOROUGH who is lateral to him as Director of Quality Assurance DCAS. He, Scarborough, was impressed with the quality of my telephone voice but explained that unprogrammed travel and overtime monies come hard - that they so far had been getting all their data from a contractor and my telephone call was the first such word received from any U.S. Government program office, and that because of some security problem Ben Marshall was estopped from explaining to him just who I really was. He advised that either he or Gen GOSHORN (Chief DCAS) should be filled in on the details. On Monday morning I was advised that Gen Goshorn personally wanted to be filled in. I'm scheduled to do this in the company of Bill Boenning, 0900, Thursday.

I guess what I object to is the implication that we have somehow or another let SAFSP down. The specifics related to the support we provide to SAFSP are too voluminous to set forth herein. They have no problems that we don't consider

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our problems, and they ask for and get much assistance. The case in question is, in fact, an SAFSP problem. If we can work out the answer from here, then they (if they deserve the dignity of being called a Program Office) should have been able to work it out from there, or at least have been more cooperative in providing the details necessary for us to assist them in a timely fashion. Furthermore, LtCol Cooksey in making his initial request of us, was responding directly to a contractor stated requirement, which he himself did not fully understand and which he hadn't bothered to check with his own program people.

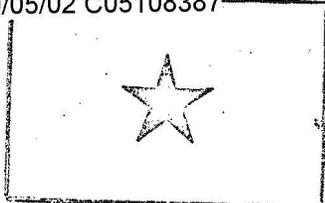
My case rests Sir - I'm still working to unravel this matter.


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Assistant for Security

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cc: Col Worthman

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REFERENCE CHARGE 0514 AND WHIG 7324.

CHARGE REQUESTED NRO STAFF ACTION TO PROVIDE LEVERAGE THRU CLEARED DCAS CONTACT FOR TRAVEL AND OVERTIME OF TWO DCASR INSPECTORS FROM LONG ISLAND TO PHILADELPHIA FOR INSPECTION DURING COMPONENT TEST. WE FAILED TO ACHIEVE THIS IN TIME FOR INITIAL TESTS; HOWEVER, RELIABILITY RISK IS NOT CONSIDERED HIGH ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY RETESTING. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE FORTIFY OUR DCAS LINK AND STAFF ACTION TO ACHIEVE SOLUTION OF THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEM AND FACILITATE A MORE TIMELY RESPONSE ON FUTURE DCAS PROBLEMS. THE CONTINUED EXPANSION OF OUR CONTRACTOR BASE GUARANTEES CONTINUAL DCAS DIFFICULTIES RELATING TO INSPECTIONS AND SECURITY, NOT ALL OF WHICH CAN BE IDENTIFIED AND SOLVED ON A LEISURELY BASIS. REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT FOR CONCERTED STAFF ACTION. MR. MAZZA, COL HAIG AND COL WORTHMAN ARE ALL COGNIZANT.

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